

## **MONTGOMERY COUNTY EXECUTIVE REGULATION**

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Subject Emergency Medical Service Reimbursement Program

6-20 Number

**Originating Department** Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service

**Effective Date** July 1, 2020

Montgomery County Regulation on

### EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

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Comment Deadline: April 30, 2020

Summary:

This Regulation establishes (1) An emergency medical services transport reimbursement Schedule; and (2) a requirement that an individual who receives an emergency medical services transport provide certain information and execute an assignment of certain health insurance benefits.

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#### Section 1. Reimbursement Schedule

- a. In imposing and collecting the emergency medical services transport reimbursement authorized under Code Section 21-23A, the Fire Chief must comply with all applicable provisions of 42 CFR Parts 410 and 414, Fee Schedule for payment of Ambulance Services and Revisions to the Physician Certification Requirements for Coverage of Non-emergency Ambulance Services.
- b. The Fire Chief must impose the emergency medical services transport reimbursement according to the following schedule:
  - i. \$8.50 per mile, one way, from point of pick up to the health care facility; plus

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ii.	-	Basic Life Support Non-emergency*	[\$300.00] <u>\$400.00</u>
	-	Basic Life Support – Emergency*	[\$400.00] \$500.00
	-	Advanced Life Support – Level 1 – Non Emergency*	[\$350.00] <u>\$450.00</u>
	-	Advanced Life Support – Level 1 – Emergency*	[\$500.00] <u>\$600.00</u>
	7	Advanced Life Support Level 2*	[\$700.00] <u>\$850.00</u>
	-	Specialist Care Transport*	[\$800.00] <u>\$950.00</u>

<sup>\*</sup>The terms in the schedule are as defined in 42 CFR Parts 410 and 414

### Section 2. Required Information; Assignment of Benefits

- a. If required by the Fire Chief, each individual who receives an emergency medical services transport must furnish to the County, or its designated agent: (i) information pertaining to the individual's health insurer (or other applicable insurer); and (ii) financial information that the Fire Chief determines is necessary for determination of granting a waiver of the reimbursement.
- b. Each insured individual who receives an emergency medical services transport must execute an assignment of benefits necessary to permit the County to submit a claim for the reimbursement to the applicable third party payor.
- c. [The Fire Chief must increase the amount of the reimbursement in the schedule annually by the amount of the Ambulance Inflation Factor (AIF), as published by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), United States Department of Health and Human Services.]



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### Section 3. Severability

If a court of final appeal holds that any part of this regulation is invalid, that [rulling] <u>ruling</u> does not alter the validity of other parts of this regulation.

#### Section 4. Effective Date

This regulation is effective on the date that the Council approves this regulation under Section 2A-15(f).

Approved

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY OFFICE OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

DATE 3/12/2020

Marc Erlich, County Executive